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RE:

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Applicant: Chen et al. Filed: November 14, 2001

For: Black Tea Extract for Prevention of Disease

Docket No. RU-0173 (882952,20006)

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following for filing in connection with the above-referenced application:

1. Amendment Under 37 CFR § 1.111;

- 2. Petition for Three Month Extension of Time;
- 3. A check in the amount of \$465.00;
- 4. A self-addressed stamped postcard, return of which is requested to acknowledge receipt of the enclosed documents.

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Respectfully submitted,

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